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(780-99-014)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Revival Application of

Ronald Paul Rohrbach

Application No.: 10/765,649

Filed: January 26, 2004

For: STAGED OIL FILTER  
INCORPORATING PELLETIZED BASIC  
CONDITIONER

Group Art Unit: 1724

Examiner: Ivars C. Cintins

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**RESPONSE TO DECISION ON PETITION**

Mail Stop Petition  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450


Dear Sir:

In response to the Decision on Petition mailed June 20, 2005 with regard to the above-identified matter.

Applicant has filed a petition to revive U.S. Serial No. 09/566,034. A copy of which is annexed hereto.

If there are any charges due with respect to this response or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.

Respectfully submitted,



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P.O. Box 1450  
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Re: United States Patent Application  
Entitled: Staged Oil Filter Incorporating Pelletized Basic  
Conditioner  
Serial No.: 10/765,649  
Filed: January 26, 2004  
Attorney Docket: 780-99-014

Sir:

We enclose herewith:

- ☒ Transmittal Letter
- ☒ Response to Decision on Petition
- ☒ 2 Acknowledgment Postcards

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.

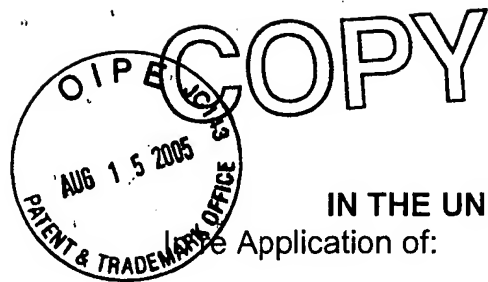
Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136 and other applicable rules to have the response period extended the number of months necessary to render the attached communication timely in the event a petition is required.

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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re Application of:

Rohrbach et al.

Serial No.: 09/566,034

Filed: May 8, 2000

For: STAGED OIL FILTER  
INCORPORATING PELLETIZED BASIC  
CONDITIONER

Group Art Unit: 1724

Examiner: Cintins, Ivars C.

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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED  
UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**

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**REMARKS**

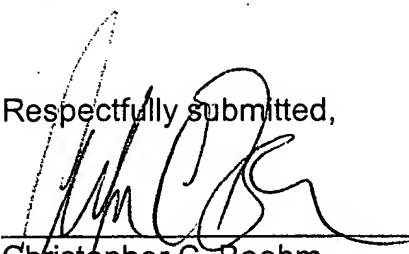
The sole purpose of the instant Petition is to revive the instant application (Serial Number 09/566,034) in order to establish copendency for the currently pending continuation application filed on January 26, 2004 having serial number 10/765,649.

The instant application became abandoned on December 1, 2003 and the documents submitted with serial number 10/765,649 included a two-month extension of time. Nevertheless, applicant requests the instant petition be granted in order to establish copendency between U.S. Serial Nos. 09/566,034 and 10/765,649. In addition, and if necessary, applicants also include herewith a request for a two month extension of time in order to establish copending with the aforementioned applications.

If for any reason the Examiner feels that consultation with Applicants' attorney would be helpful in the advancement of the prosecution, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below.

If there are any charges due with respect to this response or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT  
ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**

Docket Number (Optional)

780-99-014

First named inventor: Ronald Paul Rohrbach

Application No.: 09/566,034

Art Unit: 1724

Filed: 05/08/2000

Examiner: Cintins, Ivars C.

Title: STAGED OIL FILTER INCORPORATING PELLETIZED BASIC CONDITIONER

Attention: Office of Petitions

**Mail Stop Petition**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

FAX (571) 273-8300

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The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to a notice or action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the period set for reply in the office notice or action plus an extensions of time actually obtained.

**APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION**

NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee - required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

**1. Petition fee**

- ☐ Small entity-fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Other than small entity - fee \$ 1330.00 (37 CFR 1.17(m))

**2. Reply and/or fee**

A. The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office action in the form of the filing of a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (identify type of reply):

- ☒ has been filed previously on 01/26/04.
- ☐ is enclosed herewith.

B. The issue fee and publication fee (if applicable) of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

- ☐ has been paid previously on \_\_\_\_\_.
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This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.137(b). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 1.0 hour to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop Petition, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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**3. Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee**

☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.

☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for a small entity or \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

**4. STATEMENT:** The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. [NOTE: The United States Patent and Trademark Office may require additional information if there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional (MPEP 711.03(c), subsections (III)(C) and (D)).]

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☒ Reply

☐ Terminal Disclaimer Form

☐ Additional sheets containing statements establishing unintentional delay

☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION [37 CFR 1.8(a)]**

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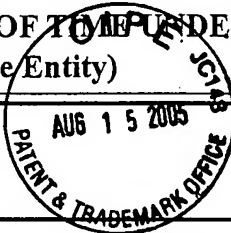
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)  
(Large Entity)

Docket No.  
780-99-014

In Re Application Of: Rohrbach et al.



Application No. 09/566,034	Filing Date May 8, 2000	Examiner Cintins, Ivars C.	Customer No.	Group Art Unit 1724	Confirmation No.
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Invention: STAGED OIL FILTER INCORPORATING PELLETIZED BASIC CONDITIONER

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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of June 25, 2003 above-identified application.  
Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month ☒ Two months ☐ Three months ☐ Four months ☐ Five months

from: November 25, 2003  
Date

until: January 25, 2004  
Date

The fee for the extension of time is \$450 and is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.  
☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1130  
☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 06-1130  
☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

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Dated: August 10, 2005

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